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Governor Delfino Begay Pueblo of Laguna P. O. Box 194 Laguna, New Mexico 87026

Dear Governor Begay:

I wanted to take this opportunity to inform you of our efforts to ensure that the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) will be able to completely review and approve, as appropriate, the engineering designs for the Jackpile Reclamation Project; and that we will be able to complete these activities within the time frame specified in the "Cooperative Agreement."

Much of the review has been and will continue to be done by our staff. However, we recognize the need to have some aspects of the designs reviewed by specialists which the BIA does not ordinarily have on staff.

In looking for these skills, I have been in contact with the BIA's Office of Facilities Engineering, as well as, the Department of Interior's Office of Contruction Management (OCM). I have found that OCM has engineering firms under contract that we may be able to call on for assistance.

Also, we have been in contact with the Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) and they have expressed interest in assisting us, if we can fund their activities. However, at present, I do not have the funds in this office to pay for the BOR's services. Therefore, I am currently discussing our need for \$60,000 for these reviews with BIA's Central Office in Washington.

I will keep you posted of developments in our efforts to secure these needed funds.

.If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (505) 766-3170.

Sincerely,

Area Director

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